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Title: WET MULTIPLATE CLUTCH

REPLY

**Box FEE-AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in response to the Office Action dated August 28, 2002.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please cancel claims 1 and 2.

Please amend claims 3-6 as follows (a marked-up version of the amended claims is attached hereto this Amendment):

*Sub B17*  
3. (Amended) A wet multiplate clutch according to claim 7, wherein between each two mutually-adjacent ones of said plural groove-free separator plates disposed between each two friction plates arranged adjacent to each other, a thin member is interposed.

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4. (Amended) A wet multiplate clutch according to claim 7, wherein each two mutually-adjacent ones of said plural groove-free separator plates

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